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"Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits."
(Psalm 103:2)

Our church gathers together in New Caney, Texas at 23033 Hughey Ave, 77357 / (832) 543 5333

Bible Classes	Sun, 10 AM
Worship Service	Sun, 11 AM
Bible Study	Wed, 7 PM

Nursery available for 4 years old and younger

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in New Caney, Texas

Servicio en español domingo 6:00 PM y martes 7:00 PM

On that day beloved, our Lord shall declare *"Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world"* (Matthew 25:34). And so, how have we been blessed? Beloved, we have been made to know that Christ is the Son of the living God. Blessed art thou believing sinner, for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee – but our Heavenly Father which is in heaven [Matthew 16:17].

WELCOME

Welcome! We're an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor that loves the perfect Gospel of Christ. Beloved, *He shall save His people from their sins* (**Matthew 1:21**). It is our prayer that the Lord will be pleased to *call*, *convict*, and *comfort* you with the gospel of His blood and righteousness (**Isaiah 40:1-2**). You can expect a gospel message that's about 45 minutes, hymns that glorify our Lord, scripture readings, and helpful people to answer any questions you may have.

CONNECTION CARD

We invite everyone to fill out a **Connection Card** (you'll find one in the pew). This is an easy way to keep us informed of what's going on in your life, as well as a place where you can ask questions and update your contact information.

If you are a first-time visitor, please fill one out. As a thank-you, we'd love to send you a copy of '**The religion that comes from God**'.

Do you belong to the Lord Jesus Christ? If you do, you are His purchased possession. We would love to meet you after the service to get to know you better.

WEBSITES

Be sure to visit our websites for gospel articles, audio messages, and books.

sovereigngrace.us - Our church website, bulletins, articles
bookshelf.sovereigngrace.us - Free ebooks, tracts, booklets
appsermons.sovereigngrace.us - Audio messages for Apple devices
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EVENT CALENDAR

Happy Birthday!
Georgia Gibbs - March 27th
Sandra Murphy - March 29th

GRACE ARTICLES

By Grace

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast" (**Ephesians 2:8-9**)

The longer I live, the more am I convinced that, if ever you are saved, grace must save you; and if ever I am saved, grace must save me. It is not of works, lest any man should boast. – **William Tiptaft**

Rejoice in the LORD

"…I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation" (**Habakkuk 3:18**)

"Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation." For *"Christ is all, and in all"* (Habakkuk 3:17-18, Colossians 3:11) .

Whom have I in heaven but thee?

(**Psalm 73:25-26**)

Blessed Lord! Undertake for me: pity, compassionate, direct, guide, keep me! Oh! For grace to learn, and rightly to value the things of salvation! And, convinced that Christ is all and in all, may I never seek from the creature what only can be found in the Creator! And having discovered the vanity of every thing out of Christ, may I, where Christ is not, from henceforth learn, with the church to say, *"Whom have I in heaven but thee? And there is none upon earth that I desire in comparison of thee: My flesh and my heart faileth: but thou are the strength of my heart and my portion for ever!"* (Psalm 73:25-26). – **Robert Hawker**

Christ is All

"Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all" (**Colossians 3:11**)

If I have found Christ, I have got all. "I have not strong faith," say you. Never mind; Christ is all. "I do not feel my sins sufficiently;" Christ is all. Many people think they must feel such a deal of repentance before they may hope Christ will receive them. I know every child of God will repent; but we are not all brought to the cross by the terrors of the rod. It is not your feelings, my friends, that will save you; but Christ only, Christ standing in your stead, Christ being your substitute. If feeling your need of His grace to pardon you, and His righteousness to justify you before God; if you can but just look to Christ, though you have nothing good about you, you will have done all that is necessary to carry you to heaven [John 3:14-15]; because it is not your act that can save you, but the act of Christ alone. A little while ago I had a conversation with an Irishman, who had been to hear me preach. He had come to ask me, he said, the way of salvation. "What troubles me," said he, "is this–God says that He will condemn the sinner, and punish him; then how can God forgive; because He must punish if He would keep His word?" I placed before him the Scriptural view of the atonement, in the substitution of Christ for the sinner; and the poor man was astonished and delighted beyond measure, never having understood the beauty and simplicity of the Gospel way of salvation before.

"Is it really so?" said he. "It is in the Bible," I replied.

"Then the Bible must be true," said he, "for nobody but God could have thought it."

If Jesus Christ is our surety, friends, we are safe from the demands of the law. If Christ is our substitute, we shall not suffer the penalty due to sin; for God will never punish twice. If I have nothing therefore but Christ, I do not want anything else, for Christ is all. If Christ is your all, you will not want anything to help you, either in living or in dying; for you can never sink if you are upon the Rock, and able to exclaim with the poet–"Nothing in my hands I bring, Simply to thy [Son] I cling." – **Charles Spurgeon**